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I have had six replies to this query. One fact has been established without a doubt, all three perfins - C7980.01; .02; .03 - were used by James Currie & Co., The Leith, Hull and Hamburg Steam Packet Co., Leith.

Only one die - 7980.03 - has been reported on a cover from Donald Currie & Co., 3 & 5 Fenchurch St., London E.C., but no link with James Currie & Co. has been established.

Two members have this 7980.03 die on cover with "Garth, Aberfeldy, Perthshire" on the back of the envelope. One member has this die on a 1d lilac, on cover from James Currie & Co., 40 St. Enoch Squ., Glasgow and 2 x ½d Jubilee stamps on a cover from James Currie & Co. The Leith, Hull & Hamburg Steam Packet Co., Leith. Both covers were posted in August 1892 from Glasgow and Leith respectively, yet all three stamps have the same missing pins on the 'C': i.e. holes 4 & 5 counting left anti-clockwise from the top of the 'C' over the centre of the 'O'.

No members reported 7980.02 with London postmarks, but .01 and .03 have been reported with London postmarks.

Any more bits of information? Please send to the Ed.

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